

**DOYNTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF DOYNTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2024, AT 7 PM.
ATDOYNTON VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Peter Hart Chair
William Crew Vice Chair
William Roch Councillor
Ben Stokes Boyd Valley Councillor
Elaine Weightman Parish Clerk
one member of the public in attendance

	The Chair welcomed everybody and opened the meeting.	Action
1.	APOLOGIES: - Cllrs. Salter and Williams, Bianca Rotariu & Boyd Valley Cllr. Palmer.	
2.	TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 17 th September 2024 were approved and signed by the Vice Chair on the proposal of Cllr. Roch and seconded by Cllr. Williams.	
3.	MATTERS ARISING. <i>DPC has been advised the trees were inspected at the Playing field and a large oak tree had several dead branches removed. Burnt out vehicle on Bury Lane has been removed</i>	
4.	TO RECORD DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION FROM MEMBERS OF ANY ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AND DECIDE IF ANY ITEMS REQUIRE EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC. <i>None to note</i>	
5.	TO ADJOURN TO ALLOW PUBLIC PARTICIPATION. 5.1. Avon & Somerset Police Neighbourhood Policing Doynton update forwarded to the Doynton Village website. 5.2 Doynton Hard Half Marathon February 2 nd , 2025- Victoria Burchill DHHM Race Organiser & Director advised the event was sold out. A letter had already gone out in August advising of the route and where parking was taking place and there will be a further one in January.	EW
6.1	PLANNING. To comment on planning applications: P24/02473/TCA: -Turnbridge Cottage Bury Lane Doynton. BS30 5SS: Works to crown reduce 1no Silver Birch tree (T1) to leave a finished height of 6.5m and a radial spread of 2m, and crown reduce 1no Weeping Willow tree (T2) to leave a finished height of 6.5m and radial spread of 2m. Both trees situated in the Doynton Conservation Area. <i>No Objections.</i>	
6.2	To record comments made on applications dealt with since the previous meeting: <i>None to note.</i>	
6.3	To note planning decisions: P24/02039/TCA Doynton House Bury Lane Doynton. BS30 5SR: Works to fell 2no. Sycamores. Works to 1no. Sycamore to Lightly crown lift and reduce the end weight on limbs that are damaged and Works to 1no. Holm Oak to crown lift for 2.2m clearance and remove minor trunk and basal shoots all situated in the Doynton Conservation Area. <i>No objection</i> Other Planning Matters: -The process for reviewing planning applications was	

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6.4	discussed and it was agreed that DPC will continue with the current procedures which comply with LGA 1972 Section 101(1). These procedures require that all members C.C. the other members with comments in order that those comments sent to SGC agree with members. The Clerk will advise if any changes are made by NALC	
7	FINANCE	
7.1	<p>Approved invoices by Bacs from C/A at this meeting unless otherwise stated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - £ 10.79 M Williams. Reimburse fuel mower cut to The Green BACS 23/9/24 - £533.44 E Weightman, Parish Clerk, (work undertaken Oct Nov) BACS 3/11 - £ 53.62 E Weightman, Parish Clerk, (office expenses Oct Nov) BACS 3/11 --£ 59.99 E Weightman (reimburse Microsoft Office Annual renewal 2024-25 BACS 3/11 - £ 39.00 SGC Litter bin empty July Aug Sept 2024 BACS 3/11 - £100.00 Donation to St Bartholomew's for PCC Magazine 2024 - £212.04 Zurich Municipal (Annual DPC insurance 2024-25 -3-year LTA 2023) - £ 79.36 E Weightman Clerks back pay April-Nov 2024 <p><i>The above were approved and proposed for payment by Cllr. Roch & seconded by Cllr. Crew</i></p>	EW
7.1.1	Payments approved and minuted at the meeting on 17 th September 2024 were crosschecked with the invoices and bank statement by Cllrs. Roch & the Clerk at this meeting & Cllr. Salter outside of this meeting.	
7.2	FINANCE REPORT	
7.2.1	After clearance of the payments noted above, the working capital balance at HSBC Bank for the month to 30 th November 2024 will be £7,052.37 which includes the debit of monthly bank charges September & October of £10.00, Earmarked funds remaining: -£184.90 defibrillator fund & £862.62 Doynton Children's Committee. The balance on the S106 savings account currently stands at £8,307.71	
7.2.2	<p>The Clerk put forward The Council's draft budget for 2025/26 which was discussed. It was agreed unanimously to request the Precept should become £6,300.00 due to increased annual costs and the draft will be displayed on the website and notice board for the electorate to view and comment on before 31st December 2024 and pending any comments would be finalised as agreed at the January PC meeting.</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr. Hart and seconded by Cllr. Roch</i></p>	EW
8	VILLAGE MAINTENANCE & HIGHWAYS.	
8.1	<p>Update on problems already reported to SGC unless stated.</p> <p>Ben Stokes, Boyd Valley Cllr. will chase the approved "Unsuitable for Motor Vehicles" signage on Culleysgate lane it was due to be in place by November. There is no update on the blocked drain by Vine cottage on the junction with Bury Lane and High Street which will continue to be raised by Boyd Valley Cllrs. Stokes and Palmer.</p> <p>The damaged wooden fence on Church end/Doddington Firs/Rosevale by the brook remains on SGC list however is not currently of high importance.</p>	BS BS/MP
8.1.2	<p>Highways</p> <p>Traffic calming renewal of white lining to Bury Lane and High Street- to be redrawn by Rob Wiltshire</p> <p>Signage by the BT box on the Cross has been replaced.</p> <p>Boyd Valley Cllr. Stokes confirmed Depth Gauge/Plum lines to be installed on Dyrham Lane by the footbridge and one by the Field gate to warn road users</p>	

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	during periods of heavy rain when it is unsafe to drive at that point.	
8.2	New Maintenance – <i>None to note</i>	
9	SPECIAL MATTERS FOR ATTENTION	
9.1	Cllr. Roch advised the next meeting of the Playing field committee on 11 th March he will raise to discuss to locate a permanent table tennis table in the village at the Playing Field alongside Cllr. Salter who will also be in attendance.	WR/JS
9.2	DPC are awaiting further documents from SGC re the 25-year Lease Renewal of Summers Drive Allotments and the clerk will chase Benjamin Hinds at SGC.,	EW
9.3	Cllr. Roch updated 80 th Anniversary VE Day 8 May 2025 there will be a “Fish & Chip Supper Van” for residents at the Field in Mill Lane from 7pm, prior to the lighting of a Beacon/bonfire at 9.30pm	
9.4	It was agreed to continue with bi-monthly DPC meetings on the third Tuesday of the month in 2025 commencing on January 21st at 7pm Exceptions: Tuesday May 6th which encompasses the Annual Parish, Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (AMPC) and Parish Council meetings and Tuesday 8 th July. The clerk will make the bookings with the Village Hall and advise the website.	EW
9.5	The Council agreed there are no changes to the Council’s Annual insurance requirements for 2025/26 with Zurich Insurance which commenced a 3-year Long Term Agreement with an annual premium of £212,04 in 2023	EW
9.6	It was approved to continue with the subscription to ALCA.	
9.7	The members noted NALC Consultation enabling remote meeting attendance and proxy voting,	
9.8	The NALC, pay award 1 April 2024-31 March 2025 was noted to be effective from 1 April 2024 and had been implemented.	
9.9	The members would review the Parish Clerk’s salary in accordance with NALC guidelines, effective from 1st January 2025 outside of this meeting.	ALL CLLRS
10	TO RECEIVE REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED. <i>None to note</i>	
11	TO RECEIVE REPORTS BY BOYD VALLEY COUNCILLORS. – <i>Cllrs. Palmer & Stokes drew attention to SGC Budget Consultation 2025/ 26. Cllr. Stokes announced Fly tipping prosecutions had taken place plus a “Sponsor a Camera scheme” with the Police & PC’s which SGC can site. Numerous schemes to help with winter fuel/ food/household support can be found on SGC website /telephone.</i>	
12	MATTERS OF INTEREST RAISED BY MEMBERS. <i>Arrangements to procure a Christmas tree for the village green are in hand.</i>	PH

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13	ITEMS RAISED BY MEMBERS TO BE INCLUDED IN FUTURE AGENDAS.	
14	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING: - Doynton Parish Council will take place on <i>Tuesday January 21st</i> at Doynton Village Hall at 7pm.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 8.27pm Consultation enabling remote meeting attendance and proxy voting,</p>	
	<p>Signed.....Date.....</p>	